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40 Governors--40 Thieves

Forty governors have declared that there is no starvation in their respective states.

These 40 governors lie. They are the 40 thieves of American capitalism!

They lie at the expense of hungry millions of workers and in order to justify the hunger program of the coalition government of republicans and democrats which supports the Wall Street-Hoover program.

Never in the history of the United States has there been such mass misery.

Never in the history of the United States has there been such mass unemployment--a minimum of twelve million unemployed--and such mass hunger, exposure, and actual starvation.

The entire resources of Wall Street government have been mobilized to prevent this mass unemployment and mass misery being translated into an organized mass demand for unemployment insurance. Everything except genuine relief at the expense of the capitalists responsible for the crisis is being handed out to the starving millions of the American working class.

The entire forces of American capitalism have been mobilized in an effort to save capitalism at the expense of the toiling masses in industry and agriculture. With a callous cynicism for which one must go to Czarist Russia to find a parallel, hundreds of millions of dollars have been allotted to banks, industrial corporations and railway companies by Congress.

Forty governors, flying in the face of facts known to everyone who has paid even the most casual attention to the unemployment situation in the United States, have declared that there is no starvation in their states. Among them is the governor of New York.

William Hodson, executive director of the Welfare Council of New York City, recently declared:

"The total amount of money which is in sight at the present time is not sufficient to care for the families and individuals who are going to be in need of help and assistance this winter."

Hodson declared further that more than 350,000 families in New York are in need, but of this number only 100,000 families are receiving assistance.

Among the forty governors was the governor of Illinois. In Illinois more than forty per cent of the eligible workers are unemployed and only \$100,000 a day is available to take care of families who are losing \$2,000,000 daily in wages.

According to one Goldsmith, charity director of Illinois, the situation is desperate:

"We insist that people who come to our private and public agencies shall use up, absolutely use up and come to us empty handed, their available resources. We ask them to borrow on their insurance policies and to reduce their equities in their policies. I think if this committee can get the information from the various large insurance companies as to the amount of money that have been loaned on policies in the last two years, policies of \$5,000 or under particularly, I think you will be amazed at the huge sums that people have actually borrowed on their estates. We would ask people--and it is not possible any longer to do so in Chicago and Cook County--if it were possible we would ask people to take out second and third mortgages on their homes. Indeed, one of our most serious problems in Cook County is to help the home owner, because Cook County's Department of Welfare does not, under the law, help home owners--and these people cannot eat their homes; they must have food, which the department is not furnishing."

Governor Pinchot of Pennsylvania is one of the governors who declared that there is starvation in his state.

We now ask Governor Pinchot what he is doing to remedy this condition. When the coal miners in Western Pennsylvania struck last summer against wage cuts and for higher wages and better conditions in the mines, led by the National Miners Union, to raise the standard of living of the miners and their families as a whole, Governor Pinchot sent in his state troopers to help break the strike. His admissions as to starvation conditions are valuable, but his policy is the same as that of the coalition government of republicans and democrats headed by Hoover, which has as its object the rapid and continuing reduction of the standard of living of the American working class to the starvation and slave level.

When statements denying the existence of mass hunger and starvation are made by forty governors in this, the third winter of the crisis, it is clear that the American capitalist class and their local state and national government intend, as they have been doing, to utilize the crisis and mass unemployment and hunger to further lower the standard of living of the entire American working class--Negro and white, native and foreign born.

The recent sharpening of murderous terror against strikers and workers demonstrating for jobs and unemployment relief, as in Detroit and Dearborn and Kentucky and Tennessee, furnish the concrete proof to show the objective of the capitalist program.

The one way out for the workers is the building of militant organizations of struggle in the factories and in the ranks of the unemployed, the combating of such fascist organizations as the "Block-Aid" system engineered by the Hoover-Gifford Emergency Unemployment Committee, and the organized and disciplined conduct of strikes against all wage cuts in whatever industries and factories they occur.

The Daily Worker, beginning tomorrow, will carry articles exposing the hunger conditions in the United States, giving the lie to the forty governors and in the clearest form pointing out to the American working class the measures it must take to combat and defeat the hunger program of Wall Street's coalition government and its allies, the socialist party and the officialdom of the American Federation of Labor.

18 Meetings Tonight to Honor Memory of the Paris Commune

NEW YORK--A mighty protest will be heard from thousands of workers throughout the New York District tonight, when 18 mass meetings will be held in all parts of the district to commemorate the Paris Commune.

The International Labor Defense brings to the attention of the whole working class the fact that today there are more workers facing prison and the electric chair for their work-

ing-class activities than ever before in the history of the United States. The terror against the Negro masses as brought forth in the Scottsboro case, the terror against the workers in Florida, where a score of tobacco workers are serving long terms in prison, the Kentucky miners' cases, California, Mooney and Billings, the Imperial Valley cases, etc., will all be brought to the attention of New York workers in the following meetings tonight.

CHICAGO POLICE SMASH WORKERS' HEADS TO DEFEND JAPANESE IMPERIALISM



Chicago Police in Murderous Attack on Workers During Huge Anti-War Demonstration on March 12. Several workers were seriously wounded when police fired into the crowd. One worker is expected to die. Over 7,000 workers took part in the demonstration, which was held before the Japanese Consulate in the Tribune Tower.

"No One Starves in U. S." -- 39 Governors Say, While Workers Die of Hunger Daily

WASHINGTON, March 17.--Hoover and 39 governors of the United States, looking around at their fell-fed families and at the groaning banquet tables which they frequent declare: "there is no one starving in the United States!"

Senator Bingham, one of Hoover's chief spokesmen, in order to defeat at \$125,000,000 bill providing road work for the unemployed, in order to justify the "dole" of \$2,000,000,000 for the big bankers and railroads to pay profits and dividends, wired all the governors and got them to reply with the most brazen capitalist lie yet handed out from Washington: "There is no starvation in the United States."

One Governor, Pinchot of Pennsylvania, trying to ride into the presidency on the backs of the hungry unemployed, admitted that there was grave destitution and starvation in every state in the country. Pinchot ought to know. He has had his state troopers slug many a hungry miner fighting for a piece of bread.

While most of the 39 telegrams deliberately lie about starvation among the 12,000,000 unemployed and their families, as well as among the part time workers, Senator Bingham, and the capitalist press with him, hide the fact that some of the telegrams are worded in a fake manner.

For example, the telegram from the Governor of Oklahoma merely says they haven't taken the trouble to count those dying of starvation, "Number of people starving in Oklahoma... unknown!" Not worth bothering to count. They die off anyway. Governor La Follette of Wisconsin, sup-

posed to be fighting Hoover, actually aids Bingham by merely saying: "Two hundred thousand entirely out of work." But then not a word about those dying of starvation.

Maryland Governor Ritchie of Maryland, a demagogue who tries to use mass misery for his presidential ambitions became actually indignant that any one should ask such a question of him. "I do not know where you get the idea that anybody is starving in this state. No such condition as that exists here."

But the Baltimore Post, a capitalist sheet, not particularly concerned with uncovering starvation, in its

Workers Jury in Detroit to Hold Mass Trial of Ford-Murphy Murderers

HAVANA, Cuba, March 17.--A mass demonstration of workers carrying red flags and banners denouncing the murder of four unemployed workers by the Ford-Murphy regime in Dearborn, Michigan, marched past the old Motor Co. agency here. The workers broke a number of windows. Bloody Machado's police broke up the demonstration.

DETROIT, Mich., March 17.--To expose to the widest number of workers throughout Michigan and the United States the brutal, vicious murder policy of the Ford-Murphy regime, against the unemployed resulting in the cold-blooded shooting of four unemployed workers at the Ford River Rouge plant on March 7th, a mass workers investigation and trial with a workers' jury will take place Friday, March 25 at 7:30 p. m., at Cass-Tech High School, Second and Vernor Highway. The seating capacity of this hall is 4,000.

Workers who were wounded by bullets fired by Ford's private gunmen will testify. They will tell of the Hunger March in which 5,000 unemployed went to the Ford plant to demand jobs or relief, and how they were answered by a volley of shots.

Henry Ford, Mayor Murphy of Detroit, Edsel Ford, son of Ford who stood on a bridge and watched

issue of March 11, 1932, carried a headline reading: "40,000 face starvation in Baltimore." No such condition as that exists here, says Ritchie. Don't pass any bills to provide relief for the unemployed. But the Baltimore Post says: "The Family Welfare Assn., for all practical purposes, is broke!" Every Baltimore worker knows that the Family Welfare Association wasn't beginning to feed the starving unemployed. Not until the 40,000 are dead of starvation will Governor Ritchie get over his indignation and admit that Baltimore workers are hungry and their children undernourished.

The Daily Worker has collected a vast amount of material of the wholesale starvation of the American working class--material that comes exclusively from capitalist sources, of the wave of suicides and deaths from hunger in the richest capitalist country in the world. Beginning tomorrow, the Daily Worker will run material state by state to prove the lying statements of these governors.

Meet March 20 To Prepare for May 1

NEW YORK--In preparation for May 1, the day of international working class solidarity and struggle, the Communist Party, New York District, has issued a call for a mass united front conference to be held on March 20 at 1 p. m. at Stuyvesant Casino, 9th St. and Second Ave. The purpose of the conference is to unite the greatest masses of the workers from shops, unemployed councils, block committees, trade unions, fraternal and benefit societies for a giant May Day demonstration to embrace tens of thousands of workers.

The call issued by the Communist Party states that this May Day especially must be a day of mighty mass demonstrations and struggle against hunger, capitalism, and imperialism.

Mass organizations, get into revolutionary competition to save Daily Worker.

POLISH GOV'T BUYS HUGE WAR SUPPLIES IN U. S.

World Imperialists Push Preparations as Japanese Continue War Moves On Soviet Frontiers

SHANGHAI, March 17.--Kuumintang sources report that 100,000 Chinese volunteers are marching on Mukden, chief Japanese base in Manchuria. The volunteer troops are said to be destroying the flag of the new puppet government set up by Japanese bayonets. The Japanese forces at Mukden are reported to have mounted guns in the outskirts of the city.

TOKIO, March 17.--A group of insurgents have defeated the Japanese garrison at Chwangho, an important coast city southwest of Antung, Southern Manchuria. Fighting between insurgents and the Japanese invaders also occurred yesterday at Ninguta.

In Korea, 300 Korean peasants clashed with Japanese police at Ryo-xan, in the southeastern tip of the territory. The Japanese had arrested a leader of the peasants in their struggles against starvation and imperialist suppression.

Hand in hand with the Japanese war moves on the Siberian frontiers of the Soviet Union, Poland is buying \$20,000,000 worth of armaments in this country to supplement the huge production of the Polish war industries, financed by French imperialism. The New York Times reports admission to this effect by Lieut. Col. Charles G. Mettler, U. S. Army. It says:

"While the disarmament conference is in session at Geneva, agents of the Polish Government are in this country to buy in the next few weeks \$20,000,000 worth of armaments, according to Lt. Col. Charles G. Mettler, United States Army, who spoke last night at a meeting of the Brooklyn Chapter, Reserve Officers' Association, at the 245th Coast Artillery Regiment Armory, Summer and Jefferson Avenues, Brooklyn."

A Mukden dispatch reports that the Soviet Union has called upon all Soviet citizens to evacuate the affected districts in order to avoid the creation of incidents by the Japanese which would affect the relations of the Soviet Union.

The Soviet Union has emphatically denied a report that it was considering recognition of the Japanese puppet state in Manchuria. The report emanated from Tokyo.

Gen. Ma Chen-Shan is apparently

involved in the present revolts in the Manchurian border of the Soviet Union. The revolts are reported to be directed against him. The character of the revolts are not yet clear.

Certain it is that the situation created by the Japanese invasion and seizure of Manchuria establishes the base for mass revolts. The Manchurian people, including the rank and file soldiers are bitterly opposed to the Japanese and their puppet regime. On the other hand, the Japanese will use every pretext to forward their mobilization of troops on the Soviet border. A full Japanese army division is now on its way to the town of Manchouli, across the Amur River from the Soviet city of Blagovestchensk.

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When your organization gets its blank coupons, canvas your fellow workers and your neighbors for their half dollars to save the Daily Worker.

A half dollar each from 70,000 workers will put the Daily Worker on a sound financial basis. Help us reach these 70,000 workers.

Millinery Workers Urged to Take Up Struggle on Basis of Shop Grievances

Zaritsky Orders Workers Back to Shop On Fake Agreement

NEW YORK, March 18.—Calls were issued today by both the Needle Trades Workers Industrial Union and the Millinery Workers United Front Committee advising the workers in the International Union who came out on strike yesterday not to return to the shops today, but to organize rank and file committees and stay on strike until union conditions are won.

SEND PROTEST TO MILLS ON SOVIET EMBARGO THREAT

Friends of the Soviet Union Scores Lies

NEW YORK.—A vigorous telegram of protest was sent to Oden J. Mills, Secretary of the Treasury Department, against the attempts to carry through an embargo on all Soviet made products.

The National Committee of the Friends of the Soviet Union, through its National Secretary, Marcel Scherer, today demanded by telegram an open hearing where the American workers and others genuinely interested in the Soviet Union would be able to state their views and answer the vicious lies of the anti-Soviet baiters.

His statement follows:

"This attempted embargo is part of a definite, planned, war move against the Soviet Union. Millions of American workers and friends of the Soviet Union want no embargo and no war on the Soviet Union. And this protest is sent to the government officials to demand that they drop any attempts at attacking the Soviet Union.

"The ridiculous lies of 'forced labor' have been long ago exploded. The only country where the workers have real freedom and are receiving wage increases and better conditions, is the Soviet Union. The American workers and friends of the Soviet Union want no interference into the affairs of the country where the workers rule and run the industries.

"We pledge ourselves to unmask these war attempts which come at a time when Japan is massing battleships, aeroplanes, and troops close to Siberia. Already white guard bands attempted to break into Soviet territory.

"The American workers and friends of the Soviet Union will fight all those war plans and will help support and defend the working class government in the Soviet Union."

What's On—

FRIDAY
The Food Workers' Industrial Union calls upon all sympathetic organizations not to arrange any affairs for Friday evening, May 15, 1932. On this date the union is arranging a second anniversary celebration at the Palm Garden, 308 W. 52nd St.

The Red Sparks Athletic Club will have a special meeting at 380 Grand St. at 8 p.m.

The Kasevsky Branch of the I.L.D. will celebrate the first anniversary of the Paris Commune at the Monroe Court Community Room, 47th St. and Foster Ave., Long Island City, at 8 p.m. Harry Gannes will speak. Ladies Circle and Jesse Wakefield will speak on the terror in the Kentucky coal strike.

There will be a lecture at the Italian Workers' Center, 15 E. Third St., at 8 p.m. under the auspices of the Downtown Branch of the F.S.U., Italian Section. All Italian workers are invited. Admission is free.

A mass meeting of painters will be held at 601 W. 162nd St., Bronx, at 8 p.m. All painters are urged to attend this important meeting.

Oakley Johnson, member of the delegation protesting the deportation bills, and Max Levin, of the Council for the Protection of Foreign Born, will speak at the anti-immigration, anti-foreign born bills now before congress, at the Prospect Heights Club, 1187 Southern Blvd., Bronx, at 8:30 p.m.

Congrade A. Markoff will speak on the first anniversary of the Paris Commune at the "Fremont Workers' Club, 2078 Clinton Ave., Bronx, at 8 p.m. Everybody is welcome.

Congrade Sam Don will speak on the Paris Commune at the Harlem Progressive Youth Club, 1492 Madison Ave., at 8 p.m.

Dr. Zhokin will speak at Youth Branch, No. 144, I.W.O., on "Youth and Health," at 1109 45th St., Brooklyn, at 9 p.m. Admission, 25 cents; youth, 15 cents.

The first anniversary of the Paris Commune will be celebrated at 173 41st St., Brooklyn, at 8:30 p.m., under the auspices of the I.L.D.

Harry Potamkin will speak on "Movies in the Soviet Union" at the Bronx Hungarian Workers' Club, 560 Prospect Ave., at 8 p.m.

The Proletcult will have an entertainment and dance at Irving Plaza, 18th St. and Irving Place, at 8:30 p.m.

The Downtown Youth Branch, No. 466, of the I.W.O., will meet at the Ukrainian Labor Center, 66 E. Fourth St., at 8:30 p.m. Young workers are invited.

The Brooklyn Youth Branch, No. 197, of the I.W.O., will meet at 258 Schenectady Ave., Brooklyn, at 8 p.m. All workers are invited.

The Sports Youth Branch, No. 408, of the I.W.O., will meet at 450 Boston Road, Bronx, at 8 p.m. An interesting program has been arranged.

The Jamaica Youth Branch, No. 118, of the I.W.O., will meet at 109-26 Union Hall St., Jamaica, at 8:30 p.m.

The Red Cedar Branch, No. 433, of the I.W.O., will meet at 2700 Bronx Park West, at 8:30 p.m.

The Spartacus Youth Branch, No. 137, of the I.W.O., will meet at 5 Belmont Ave., Newark, N.J., at 8 p.m.

The Cooperator Workers' Club will hold its initial meeting at the Proletkult.

GENERAL FRACTION MEETING OF FOOD WORKERS SUNDAY

A general fraction meeting of the food workers will be held this Sunday, March 20, at 6 p.m. in the Workers Center. Some very important problems confronting the union will be discussed at this meeting. Every Party member working in the food industry must be present.

DISTRICT ORG. DEPT.

FLOOR SCRAPERS GO ON STRIKE AGAINST PAY CUT

NEW YORK.—The floor scrapers of the Self Mechanics Flooring Co., corner Park Ave. and E. 126th St., striking against a 25 per cent wage cut will open, the eighth week of strike Monday, March 21, despite the bosses' schemes, lies, police and injunction, mobilized to defeat the strikers. While the boss class court naturally gave the boss an injunction against the strikers, the frame-up against the workers was so open that the judge was compelled to admit their right to picket.

Just as the boss lied in court against the strikers, so he is using the same method by posting in the shop windows signs claiming there is no strike and that the wages paid were \$30 to \$45 per week. The strikers are carrying signs exposing this lie stating the facts which are that the wages for months past were from \$9 to \$13 per week and that the boss tried to cut 25 per cent off these miserable starvation "wages". The strikers challenge the bosses of the Self Mechanics Flooring to disprove these statements.

The strikers realize that by increasing their efforts in the next few weeks when the boss can be made to feel the effects of the strike even more than ever, he can be forced to withdraw the wage cut. One step in this intensification of the struggle is the big mass picket march to be held Monday, March 21, at 7:30 a.m. in which all unemployed members of the Building and Construction Workers Industrial League and sympathizers are urged to take part.

The leading committee of the league points out that this strike of the floor scrapers has an important connection with the preparations for a mass strike in the entire building construction industry against the wage cut of 25 per cent to 40 per cent and therefore all possible support should be given to this strike, especially by building trades workers. All unemployed members of the Building and Construction Workers Industrial League and sympathizers are urged to be on the picket line at Park Ave. and 126th St. Monday, March 21, at 7:30 a.m.

L.S.N.R. Group in Celebration Concert and Dance Saturday

NEW YORK.—The Gilbert Lewis group of the League of Struggle for Negro Rights will celebrate its first anniversary with a concert and dance this Saturday night, March 19, at its new center, 418 West 53rd St.

James W. Ford, recently returned from the Soviet Union, will give a brief address on the solution of the national question by the Soviet Union. There will also be short talks by Harold Williams, New York secretary of the L.S.N.R., and M. Segal from the Gilbert Lewis group.

Delegates Opposing Anti Alien Bill to Report in Bronx

The workers of the Bronx tonight will hear a report of the Protection of Foreign Born Delegation, which testified before the immigration committee of congress in opposition to the Anti-Alien Bills. The meeting will start at 8:30 at 1197 Southern Blvd.

The report will be given by Professor Oakley Johnson, a delegate of the first delegation, and S. Horowitz, who was part of the second delegation.

All workers of that neighborhood are called to attend this meeting and protest against the attempt to outlaw militant alien workers.

Kunitz Just Back From Soviet, Speaks Sunday

NEW YORK.—Joshua Kunitz, who has made an extensive study of the oppressed Negroes in the United States, and of the formerly oppressed minorities in the Soviet Union, and has just come back from an extended tour of the outlying republics of the Soviet Union, will speak at the Young Men's Hebrew Association, at 2005 Amsterdam Ave., on Sunday, March 20, at 8 p.m., under the auspices of the Karl Marx branch of the Friends of the Soviet Union.

All Negro and white workers are urged to attend this meeting.

LAST TIMES OF "RED COMMANDER'S BRIDE" AT ACME

The Soviet film, "The Red Commander's Bride," is now in its last showings at the Acme Theatre, 14th St. and Union Sq. The picture will close on Sunday. This romantic film was made by Proletkino in the USSR, and was screened in a Red Army unit, with the cast limited to workers only, no professional actors are in the picture. On the same program the Acme is presenting the "Songsters of the Steppes" in a group of Russian songs.

Eden and Jerome Ave., at 8:30 p.m. workers living in West Bronx are urged to attend.

Congrade Harry Raymond of the Daily Worker staff will speak on the League of Struggle for Negro Rights at the American Club, 78 Throldor Ave., Brooklyn, at 8:30 p.m.

The Spartacus Youth Branch, No. 137, of the I.W.O., will meet at 5 Belmont Ave., Newark, N.J., at 8 p.m.

The Cooperator Workers' Club will hold its initial meeting at the Proletkult.

March and Mass Meet to Fight 'Block-Aid' Plan of Starvation

NEW YORK.—To expose and fight against the so-called "Block-Aid" System, on which the New York bosses are concentrating, a mass parade will take place on Friday, March 25, at 6 p.m., to Columbus Circle. This will be followed by a mass meeting in the evening at 8 p.m. at Bryant Hall, Sixth Ave. near 42nd St.

A leaflet distributed in many thousands of copies, exposing the "Block-Aid" system, issued by the Unemployed Council of Greater New York, says:

ARRESTED FOR GIVING RELIEF

Kentucky Miner Tells of Terror, Hunger

NEW YORK.—The following letter from an active miner-relief worker in the Kentucky strike area is typical of many such which are received daily. Names are omitted because of the terror.

Dear Comrade: A few lines to let you know that the damn thugs has about two things up here, and most of us active aid comrades who are not in jail are suffering from lack of relief. On the tenth of the last month I was there and seen Comrade Doris arrested for just advising the comrades how to handle relief.

Comrade Frank Mason, Henry Williams who are in jail now, and myself gave the relief out to the section relief committees and I seen the thugs cut sacks of meat open and hand out pieces to their brother deputy sheriffs. They struck their guns in many a comrade's ribs and took the relief away from them. I know the names of some of these thugs and can send you detailed reports regarding this robbery.

I have been evicted along with several comrades, most of them with notices to appear in court at Lexington for breaking the injunction against them and not moving out of company houses of the Straight Creek Coal Company before they did. We have been unable to obtain tents so far and need them badly, also relief.

We intend to carry on the work regardless but we need more relief. I hope you will write at once and advise us what to do in regards to relief, tents, etc. We will go on with our work to smash this thug terror!

Comradely yours,
—N.
General Relief Committee.
Workers' Relief to the Workers' International Relief, 16 West 21 Street, New York City.

Bronx Youth Hold Anti-War Meet and Parade Tonight

NEW YORK, N. Y.—Tonight at 7:30 P. M. the Bronx section of the Young Communist League, youth branches of the International Labor Defense, Pioneers and other youth organizations will stage an anti-war demonstration and protest meeting against the Detroit massacre at 174th and Bryant Avenue, where a rent strike is going on.

At 8:30 the meeting will form a torchlight parade to Ambassador Hall, Claremont Parkway and 3rd Avenue where the International Labor Defense is holding a huge Paris Commune Anniversary meeting. All youth organizations are called to participate.

8 More Dispossessed in Longfellow Strike; Protest in Court

NEW YORK, N. Y.—The call of striking tenants of Longfellow Avenue was answered by a big picket line today, which continued until rain interfered.

Eight workers are commanded to appear in court today in answer of dispossession notices. The Unemployed Council and the tenants of the neighborhood will be in court to protest the attempts to evict these families.

The tenants of the five houses on strike have met unprecedented terror in their fight for lower rents. Many battles have been fought with hundreds of cops. But their spirit remains good.

The workers will hold a banquet Saturday night at 1334 So. Blvd. all neighbors and striking workers are invited.

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PARTY COMRADES IN A.F.I. MUST BE AT MEETING MON.

A meeting of all comrades, members of A. F. of L. unions, will be held this coming Monday, March 21, at 8 p.m. in the Workers Center, second floor. It is absolutely imperative and obligatory on the part of every Party member in these unions to be present.

DISTRICT ORG. DEPT.

POLISH WORKERS CALL GENERAL PROTEST STRIKE

Raids, Arrests Fail to Halt Strike

WARSAW, March 17.—Despite the intense police campaign of repression, mass raids and arrests, yesterday's protest general strike against the government's attack on the last remnants of social legislation met with wide participation.

Owing to the sabotage of the reformists, the strike failed to embrace the public and municipal institutions such as the gas, water-works and power stations.

Strict prohibition of demonstrations and meetings were ignored and fierce collisions between the police occurred whereby five workers were killed and scores were wounded by police fire.

L. Amter Speaks On German Elections At Forum Sunday Night

NEW YORK.—L. Amter, district organizer of the Communist Party, New York, will be the speaker at the Workers' Forum this Sunday night, March 20, at 8 p.m. at Workers' Center, 35 E. 12th St., second floor, on "The Presidential Election in Germany," a timely and important topic.

The interpretation of the votes in the election showing the alignment of social forces, the vicious role of the German social democrats, the exposure of the "Jesser evil," the demagoguery and the inevitable disintegration of the fascist party, the platform and steady growth of the Communist Party and other points will be dealt with.

The lessons of the German election to be carefully applied to the presidential election in the United States this year and the tasks of the Communist Party in the coming election will be specially stressed. All workers, especially Party and League members, should not fail to attend this lecture.

MIDTOWN COUNCIL CORRECTS ADDRESS

The address of the Midtown Branch of the Unemployed Council is 418 W. 53rd St., and not 440 W. 40th St. as stated. The council was unable to obtain the latter headquarters.

225 Delegates Open Convention of Nat'l Miners Union in Pittsburgh

PITTSBURGH, Pa., March 17.—Approximately 225 delegates have arrived here from all parts of the country, including Kentucky, Western and Central Pennsylvania, Ohio, West Virginia, Indiana, metal mining territories, to attend the national convention of the National Miners' Union, which opens today. More are on their way from the Anthracite, where a strike is now on, and from Illinois.

Frank Borich, secretary of the N.M.U., reported on the crisis and struggles in the industry.

The convention sent greetings to the strike leaders now in jail in Pineville, Harlan and Middlesboro, Ky., for their activity in the Kentucky-Tennessee coal strike.

ANTI-WAR MEET IN BRONX TONIGHT

Torchlight Parade to Paris Commune Meet

NEW YORK.—The Young Communist League, Bronx Section, and the youth branches of the International Labor Defense and other youth organizations will hold an anti-war demonstration tonight at 1740 Longfellow Avenue, where a militant rent strike is now in progress.

After the demonstration there will be a torchlight parade to Ambassador Hall, Third Avenue and Claremont Parkway, where a huge Paris Commune meeting will be held.

Sections, Districts All Over Country: Order Bundles of 'Liberator'

Only Sections 1, 4 and 6, of District 2 have called at the L. S. N. R. office, 5th floor at the anniversary issue of the Liberator.

All other sections of District 2 as well as districts and sections throughout the country are requested to send in their bundle orders for this issue of the paper, which is a special number consisting of 12 pages.

Contained in the issue which is dated March 18th is a great deal of information relating to the struggles in the South, also news on the Sealtsboro case and workers correspondence, etc. It is important that this issue should be distributed among Negro and white workers throughout the country to inform them of the struggles which the L. S. N. R. and the Liberator is carrying on. Bundles of 25 copies and up can be had for one cent a copy; bundles under 25 can be gotten for 2 cents a copy. Send your orders in to the Liberator, 50 E. 13th Street, N. Y. C.

Workers' Clubs Should Advertise in the "Daily"

Post No. 1 of the Worker Ex-Servicemen's League will hold an Entertainment on March 19, at 8 p.m. in their headquarters, 73 East 10th Street. Adm. is free. All workers are invited to attend.

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2. "Rivington Street," a satirical ballad by Mishe Nadir. In original presentation by H. Gendel.

3. War Against War, dramatic poem by A. Printz. (Played by "Artef")
4. Save the Jewish Theatre or The Unhappy Golem of Suffolk Street.

A Convex Mirror of Jewish Cultural Business, by M. Buchwald.

(Played by "Artef")
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A Letter to Henry Ford from a Worker in Soviet Auto Plant

Workers Over 55 Can Discontinue Work and Receive Full Wages in U. S. S. R.

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From F. ROSKO, Moscow

(A worker in the Amo, now Stalin, plant)

Mr. Ford: read this letter to your workers. Fellow workers: I am like you, a former worker in the Ford plant. First of all I want to describe to you how we, the workers of the U.S.S.R., live and work without the bosses and exploiters. I am working in an automobile plant making trucks. Our plant is named in honor of Stalin, formerly Amo. We are working 7 hours a day, 5-days per week, and our wages are growing constantly. I receive 200 rubles per month. We have lots of work in the Soviet Union, no unemployment. The workers are insured. In case of sickness they receive full wages, free medical care.

Vacations

Besides this the Soviet worker receives a two weeks vacation every six months with full wages. And you, Mr. Ford, as you know, your worker who worked a long time for you is considered by you as useless you throw him out. In the Soviet Union a worker reaching 55 years of age has a right to discontinue working and he receives full wages.

And you, Mr. Ford how are you treating your workers after they work 15-20 years? You throw them out without any compensation. The only thing the workers get from you after working long years for you is a hunchback to remind them of your exploitation.

Factory Dining Room

We do not have the speed-up system that exists in your plant where there is a slave-driving boss for every five men. Also Mr. Ford I let you know that our plant there are two big dining rooms. The workers get one hour for lunch and the lunches are good. We get soup, meat, pudding and the like. All this costs (23 cents.)

There is also a lunch counter in every department where they have milk, candies, tea, biscuits and everything else the worker needs. Conditions are different here than in the capitalist countries.

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There is no exploitation here of the workers. The workers are working here for themselves—that is for the proletarian state. There are no capitalists here to work for. And we have in our plant a factory committee which runs the plant. This committee has been elected by the workers themselves. Although we have senior workers (foremen) they do not drive us but show us in a comradely fashion. All the workers belong to the union.

There is a gigantic construction of shops and factories going on at present. We are completing the first five year plan. In the course of the second Five Year plan we will overtake and surpass the leading capitalist countries of Europe. And under the Soviet government, under the leadership of the All-Union Communist (Bolshevik) Party we shall conquer.

Parades, Meetings Throughout the Country Commemorate Commune

NEW YORK, March 17.—Sixty-one years ago today the revolutionary workers of Paris set up the first workers' government of the world and proclaimed the Paris Commune!

Seventy-two days later, the Commune was drowned in a sea of workers' blood. Thiers and the bourgeoisie launched into a wholesale butchery of workers such as the civilized world had never before seen. For days thousands upon thousands of working-class men, women and children were lined up before the wall in the Pere la Chaise cemetery in Paris and cut down by the mitrailleuse, the early machine gun. Wounded and dead were buried alike in the same ditches. So great was the slaughter that pestilence threatened the city and thousands of bodies were burned in heaps.

The Paris Commune died but its spirit still lives. It inspired the workers in the November 7, 1917 revolution which gave birth to the triumphant Soviet Union. Today, with capitalism in its dying tremors, it is a beacon light to millions of workers throughout the world who will gather under the banner of the International Red Aid to protest terror against the working-class.

From New York to San Francisco American workers will parade, demonstrate, hold pageants, mass concerts, and mass meetings to show their solidarity with the prisoners whom capitalist terror keeps locked in its bastilles for working-class activity.

Among the chief issues before the working-class in America today are:

1. Tom Mooney's frame-up.
2. The nine Negro boys threatened with death and imprisonment because of the Scottsboro, Ala. frame-up.
3. The worst terror known in American history projected against the Anglo-Saxon native-born miners of Harlan and Bell County, Ky.
4. Attempts to outlaw revolutionary unions, the Communist Party and all militancy among workers in Long Beach and Los Angeles, Calif., in Tampa, Fla., in Danville, Va., in Chicago, Pittsburgh and the entire South.

The common "legal" procedure is the "criminal syndicalist" or "sedition" act which calls a worker a "traitor" for fighting against starvation.

5. The Detroit and Chicago police assaults on jobless workers in a hunger demonstration and anti-war protests.

6. The workers still held in California dungeons for organizing agricultural workers in Imperial Valley.

7. The dragnet spread by "deportation" Doak, Hoover's Secretary of Labor and chief bloodhound on the U. S. of militant foreign-born workers.

8. Lynching, flogging and legal terror against Negro workers everywhere, especially in the South.

Paris Commune meetings will be held in these cities:

New York City, 18 parades, meetings and demonstrations in every section of Greater New York, including New Jersey cities.

Milwaukee, Wisconsin, mass meet-

Protest Ford Murders

In Duluth, Minnesota

DULUTH, Minn.—A mass protest meeting of about 300 workers was held here last Saturday, against the murder of four workers in Detroit. A resolution was adopted denouncing the massacre, copies of which were sent to Governor Brucker of Michigan and Mayor Murphy of Detroit. Martin Kuusisto and J. Cogan spoke, and L. Tuuri was the chairman.

Every shop, mine and factory a fertile field for Daily Worker subscriptions.

Reveal German Fascist Plot to Seize Power by Coup d'Etat

BERLIN, March 17.—Mass raids of offices and rooms of fascists throughout Prussia and Hamburg has been proceeding since 10 o'clock today. Sixty raids in Berlin alone were made. This action was resorted to as a result of finds during former raids.

The Prussian government has published a memorandum enumerating details of fascist preparations for a coup d'etat on election day, providing the results were favorable. The memorandum exposes plans to surround towns, seize arms and requisition Ford trucks, etc., imprison hostile officials, and seize power.

The bourgeois democratic press demands immediate suppression of the fascist storm detachments.

A SOVIET WORKERS' FACTORY RESTAURANT



Japanese Fascists Plan Blood Bath Against Masses, War on USSR

A number of Japanese troops slated for withdrawal from Shanghai, South China, were told by General Yoshinora Shirakawa in a farewell speech yesterday to be "ready to rally to the call immediately when things happen."

General Shirakawa stated: "The conditions at home and abroad are increasing in difficulty daily and the responsibility which the imperial troops face in these circumstances is mounting gradually. Under these conditions, upon returning home you must train yourselves sufficiently to be ready to rally to the call immediately when things happen."

This statement by the Japanese Commander at Shanghai is directed toward creating sentiment among the troops for the support of the fascist movement in Japan, for the increasingly savage attacks by the Japanese ruling class against the revolutionary struggles of the Japanese masses and for the sinister plans of Japanese imperialism, now in their final stage, for armed intervention against the Soviet Union and its successful Socialist construction.

Japanese Proletariat in Heroic Struggle

The heroic struggle of the Japanese proletariat against their own imperialists, must set an example for the working-class of the whole world. Workers! Rally to the fight against imperialism! Down with those who seek to get out of the crisis at the expense of the life-blood of the toiling masses, at the expense of the victories of Socialism in the Soviet Union! Defend the Soviet Union! Defend the Chinese masses! The Japanese imperialists are butchering the Chinese masses!

They are preparing a new blood bath for the revolutionary masses of Japan! They are pushing their monstrous war provocations against the Soviet Union! Demonstrate against the Japanese imperialists and their diplomatic agents! Push the fight against your own imperialists as the best defense of China and the Soviet Union! Prevent the shipment of arms and munitions against China and the Soviet Union!

Sharp Conflict in Camp of Japanese Ruling Class. Renewed conflict in the camp of the Japanese ruling class has again thwarted the immediate realization of the plans for an openly fascist dictatorship. Premier Inuaki has been forced to rescind the appointment of Kisaburo Suzuki, present Minister of Justice, as Home Minister. The premier has himself assumed temporarily the post of Home Minister. The move for a fascist dictatorship is supported by the Japanese "socialists" who, in common with other sections of the Second International, continue their betrayal of the working class on all fronts.

It is clear both from developments in Japan and from the speech of General Shirakawa yesterday at

Shanghai that the feudal-militarist elements have not abandoned their plans for a fascist dictatorship. A Tokyo dispatch to the New York Times admits that:

"Strong currents are moving in favor of a fascist system, which would be practically controlled by the army."

The dispatch further admits that the postponement of the reorganization of the Japanese Cabinet on lines of open fascism is only temporary. It says:

"In political circles the consensus was, however, that the matter was merely postponed. A reshuffling of the cabinet was considered likely to follow the short parliamentary session, with the possibility of renewal of the movement for a national cabinet, including the strongest leaders of all parties, to lead the empire through a critical period in domestic and international affairs."

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PHILA. JOBLESS WILL DEMAND RELIEF TODAY

To Demonstrate in the Front of Ford Office

PHILADELPHIA, Pa. — Mayor Moore, while addressing a fashionable women's club last Monday afternoon, after he and the ladies had just finished a very palatable and savory meal of turkey and other tasty foods, said, in his talk to these refined and cultured ladies, that he took this opportunity to inform Philadelphia's 400,000 unemployed workers that from now on they will have to learn to take care of themselves, as the city treasury is completely empty, and it would be impossible for the city to furnish further relief.

The employed and unemployed workers of Philadelphia would like to ask Mayor Moore, who the hell is responsible for the city being broke? Certainly it is not the unemployed workers. Furthermore, since when did the city of Philadelphia furnish the unemployed with relief?

As a matter of fact, the employed workers under threat of losing jobs, have been compelled to support themselves and the unemployed.

Demonstrate Today.

The workers, knowing these things will reply to Mayor Moore by demonstrations conducted by the Unemployed Councils all over the city.

The workers will also march to the assembling plant of the hypocritical, murderous Henry Ford, located at Broad and Lehigh Ave. to protest the Detroit massacre of March 7th and in memory of their four fallen fellow workers who were murdered at the hands of the Mayor Murphy, Edsel Ford, and his father.

The Unemployed Councils of South Philadelphia section will assemble at 13th and Reed Streets 10 A. M. Friday morning March 18th, and from there march to 13th and Washington Ave. the local branch of the Lloyd Community House, to protest against the meaty, insufficient food orders and make further demands for an increase in food, fuel, and against evictions.

The Unemployed Councils of North Philadelphia including 1331 N. Franklin, Kensington and Richmond, will assemble at 4th and Lehigh and march to 3160 Kensington Ave. the local branch of the Lloyd Community House.

The Tioga Unemployed Councils will assemble at 22nd and Lehigh and march to the Venango Street local branch of the Lloyd Community House, where they will make similar demands as made by the South Philadelphia Councils, and from there march to the Ford assembling plant at Broad and Lehigh Avenue, where they will offer their protest against the massacring of their four comrades at Dearborn on March 7th.

A Shanghai dispatch to the New York Times admits that at least 6,000 unarmored Chinese workers and their children were killed by the aerial and artillery bombardment by the Japanese of the densely populated proletarian district of Chapel. The dispatch admits that this estimate is conservative. It says that "more than 2,000 were wounded and 10,000 are missing."

In addition, it admits that "160,000 Chinese families were driven from their homes, most of the homes being ruined, entailing building damages of 1,400,000 silver dollars, which is about \$350,000,000 in gold."

The dispatch further admits that tens of thousands of Chinese refugees are still suffering actual starvation in Shanghai, with most of them being forced to sleep on the streets in the bitter cold.

A committee of 40, representing over 3,000 former employees of the Commercial Press, which was destroyed by the Japanese bombs, yesterday visited the company's office and demanded unemployment relief. The dispatch reports "the committee refused to move a single foot until the demands were granted and threatened a hunger strike."

Raid by imperialist troops continue against the headquarters of the Communist Party in Shanghai. Not a single day passes without the arrest of scores of the revolutionary leaders of the working-class.

"GOD BLESS SPIES, STOOL PIGEONS," SAYS PROSECUTOR

Continue to Expose Police Brutality in Long Beach Trial

LOS ANGELES, Cal.—"God bless our spies and stool pigeons," shouted Devies, the bosses' prosecuting attorney in his summation speech against the 45 workers being tried in Long Beach for having attended a lecture on the crisis, addressed by Sam Darcy of the Communist Party. Devies invoked this blessing against the attack made earlier in the trial by the defense attorney on Abbot, a Red Squad stool pigeon.

Devies in his final arguments attempted to appeal to the "patriotism" of the court and the jurors by bombastic rhetoric about the "glory of American capitalism" and "damnable" Communism.

Earlier in Tuesday, Edward Sandler, who is running for Mayor of Los Angeles on a working-class platform in the special recall re-election to decide on the ouster of Mayor Porter, took the stand again and completed testifying to the police brutality in the Long Beach, Cal. jail. One of the chief demands of Sandler's campaign is the dissolution of the "Red Squad" of Los Angeles under captain Hynes, who directed the January 15th raid on the worker's lecture.

Sandler was followed on the stand by John Culeau, a Mexican worker who described the beating up of the workers at jail by police.

Lieutenant Murphy, in charge of the Long Beach detectives was forced to admit when questioned by Gallagher, the workers' lawyer, that the prisoners were not given blankets or mattresses in the jail, but he said that not he, but the individual officers were responsible and have been "disciplined." In this way he hoped to cover up government's responsibility for a policy carried out by the individual police.

Murphy also admitted using vile language to the prisoners. In the course of his testimony later he cried out, "Reds have no right to home and family."

Philadelphia Meet Tonight to Aid Striking Miners

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., March 17.—The National Committee for the Defense of Political Prisoners, together with the Philadelphia Committee and the National Committee to Aid Striking Miners Fighting Starvation, will have a joint meeting tonight at St. Stephens Community House, 19 S. Tenth St., at 8 p.m.

Harold Hickerson, playwright, member of the writers' committee which was kidnapped on its way to Pineville with food and clothing for the Kentucky and Tennessee striking miners; Allan Taub, Elizabeth Baldwin, wife of Julius Baldwin, who was murdered by the coal operators' gun thugs, and Waldo Frank will speak.

The moving picture of the Kentucky-Tennessee coal strike will have its first showing at this meeting. Dr. Carl E. Grammer will act as chairman.

Conference in Perth Amboy, N. Brunswick To Prepare for May 1

NEWARK, N. J.—Workers in New Brunswick and Perth Amboy are already preparing for May 1st.

Conferences of working-class organizations are being arranged by the Communist Party in these two cities. The conference in New Brunswick will be held Sunday, April 10th, at 11 a. m. in the Workers Home, 11 Plum Street. The conference in Perth Amboy will be held Sunday, April 3rd at 10 a. m. at 308 Elm Street.

The miseries of the unemployed, the cutting of relief, and the war preparations of the bosses against the Soviet Union, and their present attack of the Chinese masses will be the main points at these conferences.

Working-class organizations are asked to send delegates to deal with these important problems.

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CORRECTION

A very serious error was made in the article "U. S. Statistics Show Average Meat Packers \$1.50 Per Day," which appeared in the Daily Worker March 13. The article states that there are 23,618,322 workers in the meat packing industry in the U. S. A. The figures given by the U. S. Department of Commerce in the 1921 Statistical Abstract show 59,548 in the meat packing industry in 1920. No figures are given for 1929.

Rank and File Committee to Organize Anthracite Strike Vote Meets Tonight

SCRANTON, Pa., March 17.—The rank and file strike committee of District One, United Mine Workers of America, has issued a call to miners now on strike under the leadership of Maloney and Shuster, to run the strike into a real strike against wage-cuts and starvation.

The miners are carrying on a militant fight against state troopers sent in by the bosses. The men forced the strike against their growing grievances and hunger. Maloney was forced to sanction the strike, but is attempting to switch it into harmless channels and then betray it. The main demand he put over was "equalization of work-time," which in reality is the same as the Hoover stagger system.

Tonight there will be a special meeting of the rank and file committee to organize strike vote meetings in affiliated locals, and for the election of a broad strike committee.

The demand of the rank and file committee is that there be a guaranteed minimum working week and against wage cuts. It is calling on all miners to support those now on strike, to come out and make the strike into a real effective mass struggle.

The Fight for Unemployment Insurance

BULLETIN

Just received from Chicago 16,500 individual signatures and 8,500 collective endorsements.

UNEMPLOYED COUNCILS OF OHIO

1426 W. Third St., Room 210

Cleveland, Ohio

March 11, 1932.

National Committee, 16 West 21st St., Room 402, New York, N. Y.

Dear Comrades:

Under separate cover we are sending you 18,908 signatures from this District. From now on we will send them in every week. Also sending eight collective endorsements and this, too, will get more attention from now on.

We have sent out instructions to the Councils throughout the District on the signature drive, asking them to set quotas, call mass meetings, arrange a local conference and prepare for the State Conference at Columbus. Inclosed find a copy of these instructions. Note challenge of Minn. District.

The following is the list of the signatures sent in today: Toledo, 9,975; Cleveland, 7,082; Akron, 1,100; Canton, 441; Elyria, 282; Columbus, 48. Total 18,908. Also eight collective endorsements. Fraternally,

D. W. WILLIAMSON, Secretary.

The following signatures came in this week:

Great Falls, Mont., 1,057; Birmingham, Ala., 590; Milwaukee, 872; Peoria, Ill., 73; Rochester, N. Y., 1,352; San Francisco, Calif., 1,743; Cleveland, O., 18,908; Kansas City, Mo., 985; New York, 5,379; Total, 28,974.

These figures show that many districts are not paying serious attention to the drive for signatures. ALL DISTRICTS SHOULD RUSH IN THEIR SIGNATURES TO THE NATIONAL OFFICE AT ONCE!

Following is a summary of the quotas and the actual number of signatures collected to date in each district:

How Do You Stand in This Campaign?

District	Quota	Signatures Collected
1-BOSTON	75,000	1,108
2-NEW YORK	350,000	12,688
3-PHILADELPHIA	200,000	None
4-BUFFALO	50,000	2,205
5-PITTSBURGH	200,000	None
6-CLEVELAND	150,000	20,476
7-DETROIT	200,000	231
8-CHICAGO	300,000	5,658
9-MINNEAPOLIS	150,000	5,081
10-KANSAS CITY	30,000	4,056
11-MINOT	10,000	102
12-SEATTLE	75,000	None
13-SAN FRANCISCO	100,000	1,743
15-CONNECTICUT	35,000	None
16-CHARLOTTE	10,000	None
17-CHATTANOOGA	10,000	580
18-MONTANA	10,000	1,115
19-DENVER	50,000	None
TOTAL	2,000,000	55,463

WORKERS IN MANY CITIES PROTEST FORD MASSACRE

PASS PROTEST RESOLUTIONS NEW YORK—Meetings of workers everywhere, expressing the high indignation of the workers against the Ford massacre, continue to pass resolutions of protest. At Hartford, Conn., the Scandinavian workers passed a resolution voicing a vigorous protest against the murder of 4 Detroit unemployed. A mass meeting in Portage, Pa., protested the Ford massacre. The Quincey, Mass. Labor Sports Union declared: "The machine guns of the Ford murderers cannot stop the forward march of the masses!"

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn.—The Minneapolis Building Trades Council passed a resolution of protest against the savage murder of workers in the Ford March. The resolution sent to the officials of Michigan and Detroit, as well as Ford, reads, in part: "We urge the rank and file of the A. F. of L. in Detroit and elsewhere to demand immediate cash relief and unemployment insurance."

"These barbaric and criminal outrages against the working-class by the capitalist class will more firmly unite the workers of the nation in a more determined struggle."

In Minot, N. D. workers and farmers united in protesting the murders of unemployed workers. At Hancock, Mich., a mass meeting was held in Labor Hall which "emphatically protested the cold-blooded murder of four unemployed workers by the Ford-owned police of Dearborn, Mich. when demonstrating for unemployment relief or work."

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THE NEW TAXATION—MORE OF THE CRISIS BURDEN ON THE MASSES

By MAX WEISS
II (Conclusion)

An illustration of the manner in which the sales tax will operate to squeeze the starvation wages of the employed and the miserable relief of the unemployed (in cases where they receive such relief) will show very clearly the vicious attack on the standard of living of the masses contained not only in the sales tax as such, but in the concrete working out of the sales tax.

Manufacturers selling soap for instance (one of the articles of mass consumption taxable under the new law) originally priced at five cents each, or forty for two dollars, will pass the tax on to the retailer by charging him \$2.05 for forty cakes. The least price, therefore, at which the storekeeper can sell each cake, disregarding the additional amount added to this cost price by overhead expenses, wages, profit, etc., and yet not suffer a loss which is continued in full will drive him out of business, is five and one-tenth cents.

It is impossible, of course, to charge such a sum. The next lowest figure which can be charged is six cents. Therefore, the worker is forced to pay not five cents on every two dollars worth of such purchases but forty cents. If, in order to keep his trade, the retailer arranges combination sales by means of which the worker can pay the exact amount of the tax, a very improbable procedure, by purchasing a sufficiently large amount of commodities and thus allowing for a spread of the tax over a wide range, he escapes the exorbitant tax only at the expense of buying in amounts which will very severely limit his other vitally essential purchases and thus work untold hardships on him.

With his wages slashed until the worker can buy only the barest essentials necessary to maintain himself and his family alive, such large purchases will become increasingly impossible. The final result will be that the worker will be compelled to buy single articles because of limited purchasing power and thus be the victim of one of the most exorbitant tax swindles that the fiendishly clever, crisis-crazed capitalist class is capable of devising.

To further illustrate the conscious swindling character of the new tax bill by means of which the working class will be compelled to pay not a two and a quarter per cent tax, but in many cases a fifty per cent or even higher, it suffices to examine the highly touted "non-pyramiding" character of the bill.

By a "pyramiding" sales tax is meant such a tax that results in each unfinished commodity, requiring more than one productive process, being taxed as it passes out of the hands of its immediate manufacturer. By the time it reaches the worker who buys it, the article has been taxed five or six times, depending upon the number of manufacturing processes it undergoes. The present tax bill is supposed to avoid this feature by levying the tax only on the articles which leave the final manufacturer and pass straightway into the hands of the consumer.

What will actually happen is that the bill will result in a pyramiding of taxes to a monstrous degree but in a different form. Not all manufactured products are consumed by the workers. Many of them are taxed, but remain in the productive process, such as machinery, autos, trucks, gas, oil, electricity, etc. These items of fixed and circulating capital represent a tremendous proportion of the cost of production of most commodities. The taxes levied on the manufactured products consumed in the process of production or circulation of taxable commodities will in turn be passed along to the retailer, who, in his turn will unload them onto the shoulders of the working class and farming consumer. This beautiful feature of the new revenue act con-

cerning which the capitalist class maintains a deadly silence will accomplish a tax increase of many times more than the innocently scheduled 2 1/4 per cent.

A particularly vicious aspect of the taxation of fixed and circulating capital is the fact that the amount of the tax is not added simply to the final sale price along with the tax on the final product, but itself becomes the basis for the sales tax. Thus the 2 1/4 per cent tax is not placed on the final sales price, to which the tax on the machinery is added, but the tax is placed on the final sales price in which is already included the tax on machinery. The effect of this broadening of the tax base is, of course, a huge increase over and above the simple 2 1/4 per cent tax called for by the tax bill.

In order to affect a diplomatic "concern for the welfare of the masses," the capitalist politicians who drafted this blood-sucking tax bill exempted certain articles of mass consumption, such as bread, farm products, milk, meat, salt, sugar, etc. The list of such products is very insignificant compared to the total list of articles of mass consumption. Such vital necessities as clothing, textile products of all sorts, hats, shoes, canned goods, soap, furniture, household utensils, etc., etc., are subject to the tax bill. Since with the perpetually small wages of the working class, the rapidly narrowing buying power due to the tremendous wage slashing campaign of the bosses, and the staggering totals of unemployment, the cost of these articles of mass consumption represent the largest item on the list of commodities bought by workers, the suffering imposed on the masses by the tax bill becomes staggering. On top of the direct tax on these articles of mass consumption, the cost of the largest single item of expenditure of the workers—rent—will be immeasurably increased. While there is no direct tax on buildings, there is a tax on all building materials and an increased tax on all real estate. This added tax will, by no means, be borne by the landlord. The immediate result of the tax bill will be a huge jump in rent with a consequent further tremendous impoverishment of the masses.

Side by side with the tax bill, which is but one aspect of the attack contemplated by the capitalist class all along the line against the living standards of the masses, there is the fact that the taxes are imposed against a background of a tremendous inflationary movement, the net result of which will be to depreciate the value of the little wages received by the worker, to raise prices, thus broadening the tax base and to increase the amount of money literally taken out of the pockets of the workers.

From every conceivable angle, the new tax bill is aimed at depressing to the utmost even the present animal level of existence to which the masses are gradually being reduced, at tremendously accelerating the process of ruination of the petty-bourgeois middle layer, and at desperately attempting to help the capitalist class walk through the swamp of the world crisis over the bleached bones of the starved and famished millions.

Against this program of unabashed highway robbery, the working and farming masses must set themselves solidly behind the program of struggle of the Communist Party and the Red Trade Unions. The employed and unemployed must turn back this vicious attack on their very right to existence by a determined battle for higher wages, for Unemployment Insurance, against the whole hunger and starvation system of the bosses.

More clearly than ever before do the words of Marx ring true that: "The only part of the so-called national wealth that actually enters into the collective possessions of modern peoples is—then national debt."

The War and Social Democracy

By M. LOUIS (PARIS)

WAR is here. War has already commenced in the Far East and its extension is only a question of time. What is now taking place in Manchuria is the immediate preparation for armed intervention against the Soviet Union; is already the commencement of intervention. And intervention is being prepared not only in the East but also in the West.

And the II. International is here fulfilling its historical mission as the most important social buttress of the imperialist bourgeoisie in the preparation, organizing and carrying out of intervention and war. The parties of social fascism are united in their efforts to disorganize the activity of the working class, and the revolutionary fight of the proletariat against intervention and war, and to disarm the working class. Among other means, they wish to achieve this aim by representing the League of Nations as an instrument of peace, as a weapon in the fight against war; by creating the illusion among the working class that the League of Nations can and will prevent war and intervention. This standpoint is most clearly formulated in the recent appeal of the National Joint Council representing the General Council of the British Trades Union Congress, the National Executive of the Labor Party and the Parliamentary Labor Party.

"If the nations of the world take no action to uphold the covenant of the League of Nations they will thereby destroy this collective system of world law. . . . The National Joint Council, therefore, urges the government to request the Council of the League of Nations immediately to consider the advisability of calling upon all Members of the League and Signatories of the Peace Pact to withdraw their Ministers or Ambassadors from Tokyo. . . . If the Japanese government—in defiance of the public opinion of the world, continues the war, our government will be obliged, in conformity with its undertakings as a Signatory of the Covenant (Art. 16), to propose to the Special Assembly of the League whatever co-operative and graduated measures of financial and economic constraint may be necessary—in association and agreement with the United States and the Members of the League—to restore peace, and to ensure a just settlement of all outstanding questions between Japan and China, on the basis of the Covenant of the League of Nations, the Nine Power Treaty and the Pact of Paris."

It is not without interest to note that precisely the "Left" socialists put forward the no less criminal thesis that the imperialist govern-

ments themselves can and will prevent war. The Vienna "Arbeiter-Zeitung," Maxton and Brailsford in England, have proclaimed the new truth, that the imperialist governments of the other countries could stop Japanese imperialism in its robber campaign. This new truth is to serve to hamper the activity of the working class.

Therefore, the "Disarmament" Conference is represented by all parties of the II. International as a real pacifist action, and Vandervelde, as representative of the II. International, Glinne and Jouxhaux, as representatives of the Amsterdam International, therefore go to Geneva in order to dish up the old phrases of the Basle Manifesto. The slogan of the German and Austrian social fascists "No more War!" serves the same purpose. Disarmament-Conference—Pacifism is to serve to disarm and disorganize the working class.

A common feature of the strategy and tactics of the social democratic parties of all countries is that the war in the Far East is represented as being an isolated colonial war which could only take place in the colonial country, in China, and could only be waged by Japan, where there is no democracy and no proper public opinion. This point of view is represented most openly and cynically by the secretary of the Amsterdam International Schevenels. He has proclaimed the new truth of social fascism by announcing that the problem of disarmament, of peace, should be confined to Europe.

The social fascists hide from the masses the fundamental fact that the war in the Far East threatens not only China, not only the Japanese workers, and not only the land of Socialism, the Soviet Union, but also the working class of every country.

At the same time, the social fascist parties and the reformist trade union bureaucracy seek to foster the idea among the masses, that war in some countries means good business for other countries; that war means new orders, more jobs, higher wages. They promote the idea among the masses that war can bring the end of the crisis, can do away with unemployment. That war is a good business for the armament concerns, for the financial oligarchy, for the capitalists, nobody will deny for a moment. But the world war showed that war means to the workers. War does not mean war, higher wages, but hunger, the misery of the trenches, killed, crippled, widows and orphans. But Jouxhaux declared at the Vienna Congress of the II. International in July last:

"As regards disarmament, the trade unions have been more moderate. We must not let ourselves be deceived. In addition, we



FAILS TO FIND JOB, ENDS LIFE
A man, 40, who had been looking for a job for several months, died of starvation.

STARVATION: FACES 40,000 IN BALTIMORE
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Will have been spent. That makes \$12,033. And \$12,033 subtracted from \$12,033 leaves \$0.00.

READING LABOR AD ONE IN THREE SLOWLY STARVE IN WEALTHY U.S.
Sordid Results of Capitalism's Failure Related at Hearing of Senate Committee

CRAZED FATHER KILLS CHILDREN
Fear of Being Unable to Support Family Drives Man to Murder

Jobless Teacher Ends Hopeless Life Battle
Body Is Found in Rooming House With Letters Telling Tragic Tale

POVERTY EVILS PERMANENT
Effects of Undernourishment Will Last For Generations, Lawmakers Are Told

SUICIDE LAID TO UNEMPLOYMENT
Joseph Miko, 50, Shoots Himself in Head With Pistol

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ATTEMPTS TO LEAP INTO RIVER, JAILED
Man, Cold and Hungry, Given 30 Days Sentence

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Out of Work 10 Months Worker Shot Himself
HOUSTON, Tex.—A. N. Mathews, 28 years old, practically a youth yet, shot himself through the head, out of despondency of being unemployed

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The Six Governors' Fake Unemployment Insurance Plan

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PART 2

Facing this situation, with the growing menace of food riots and violence on the part of the unemployed who are driven to desperation, the governors of six states—New York, New Jersey, Connecticut, Massachusetts, Pennsylvania and Ohio—appointed an Interstate Commission on Unemployment Insurance, which submitted its findings and recommendations on February 14, after nearly a year of study. To begin with, the report declares: "It seems to us unlikely that any single measure now adopted, without further experimentation and experience, can cope successfully with all forms of unemployment, or with the total period of unemployment, or even with all of the unemployed."

Its main thesis is that no war threatens the Soviet Union. All organs of the II. International, from the Berlin "Vorwärts" to the Vienna "Arbeiter-Zeitung," seek to lure the vigilance of the working class by means of this criminal thesis.

At Geneva Lavalin is fighting for peace. The II. International simply asserts at his efforts. The Soviet government is endeavoring to turn aside the Japanese provocations. The II. International maintains silence regarding these provocations, and the "Vorwärts" declares that the Soviet Union is just as imperialistic towards China as is Japan.

In 1914, the social democracy did not prepare, did not organize the war. At that time it supported the war which the bourgeoisie had organized and prepared. Now, however, the social fascists organize and prepare the war. The fight against intervention and war is also a fight against social fascism, a fight to win the workers who are still under the influence of the bourgeois socialist parties of imperialist war and intervention.

The proposals do not make any provision whatever for the 12 million unemployed at present out on the street—or for the approximately six million unemployed in the six states above enumerated. These 12 million are a non-existent mass and therefore will be allowed to continue to starve as far as the provisions of the so-called Interstate Unemployment Insurance report are concerned.

It is necessary, however, in view of the fact that in the State of Wisconsin with the aid of the "Socialists," Unemployment Insurance has been introduced, that the bill of the six governors be analyzed and exposed to the workers. According to the Wisconsin Bill, each insured worker at present working in industry, shall receive a maximum benefit of \$100 a year. "Workers eligible for benefits are those who lose jobs involuntarily or those who have been resident employees in the State. This bill, however, does not go into effect until June 1, 1933."

The six Governors' Commission makes the following proposals:

1) The compulsory establishment of state-wide systems of unemployed reserves. The report declares that only a small fraction of the work force of the nation is covered at the present time by voluntary unemployment insurance.

2) The payment of each employer of a contribution of 2 per cent of his payroll. The report states quite cynically that "We have canvassed carefully the arguments for and against the payment of contributions or premiums by employers and therefore the commission is against it, stating that 'the employees should not be required to reduce their earnings further by the payment of contributions into unemployment reserves.' It is perfectly obvious, however, that the 2 per cent that would be paid by the employers into the insurance fund will be deducted from the payroll of the workers, so that this is a direct wage-cut on the workers still working in the shops and factories, and any attempt by the

Are Workers Livestock?

Well, we see that Congress has, in a sudden enlargement of the heart, given 40,000,000 bushels of Farm Board wheat "to the unemployed"—after it was carefully explained by the leading "progressives" in Congress that it "wouldn't cost the government a cent"—and in fact was saving it money paid out for storage. A fine lot, those "progressives!"

Then the Red Cross was prevailed upon to accept the wheat and the job of distributing it. But Chairman Payne (that guy gives us a Payne in the neck!) declared that the Red Cross would "accept commodities, but not cash" from the government. Yet in the drought of 1930, remember, Payne refused to accept commodities and demanded cash, when farmers in other regions offered to give their produce to the drought sufferers.

But the first wheat actually asked for by the Red Cross was 5,000,000 bushels stored at Omaha, and this was not for the unemployed, but as dispatches of March 8 said: "For destinations in South Dakota, where food for livestock is far from sufficient." Human beings eat at the second table, after the mules.

And even when the starving workers get this wheat (which will be made into white bread, which is far less healthful than whole wheat, because the flour milling trust has a pull with the government), just picture to yourself what a magnificent meal for a family of starving adults and children it will be—bread without butter, bread without milk, bread without a single other damned thing! Oh, yes, maybe bread with water! The customary "punishment diet" given to prisoners put into solitary confinement in penitentiaries!

How'd you like to lock up all the members of Congress who have been so "generous to the unemployed" and make 'em eat nothing but bread and water? Or just lie 'em with a halter to a stall, and say, 'Here's wheat, damn you! Now eat!' That's exactly what they're doing to you and your kids!

"Scientific Economists"

A gink by the name of Mervyn Stanley Ruker, whom the Hearst press features as one of its leading "scientific economists" (and he modestly calls himself that), recently wrote a long bunch of tripe about how lovely everything is going to be with the inflation program of the joint Republican-Democratic Congress.

But it would be still more lovely, he contends, if that \$2,000,000,000 piece of inflation of the Reconstruction Finance Corporation, were only extended by adoption of Hearst's favorite remedy, a \$5,000,000,000 bond issue to build roads or do something like that. It could be administered, this remedy, in small doses, he says, and then explains by saying:

"Under the revised prosperity loan plan, business would be assured of not merely one shot of stimulus, but a series of injections over a period of five years, if necessary." "This, workers, is a 'scientific economist,'" although to hear him talk you might think he was a dope peddler and "business" was the dope fiend howling for cocaine. Well, after all, that's pretty nearly correct!

Now They'll Know Better: The customary idea of capitalists in working domestic servants from 12 to 20 hours was followed by imperialism's adopted hero, Lindbergh, and so they had only one nurse for the kid. Now, we notice, that they plan, if they get him back—which is doubtful considering all the police have done to get him killed—they're going to have him watched "all the time." If they do that, there'll have to be two Betty Gows at least; but that's a 12-hour shift anyhow.

Stark, Raving Lunacy: A sort of test as to whether you're sensible these days, is to see whether you can read the press yarns on the Lindy kidnapping without wanting to puke. If you want to throw up, you're sensible. By the by, we notice that two men, that sailor Johnson, and a Hartford contractor, have been kidnapped by the police. Without even a pretense of obeying the law requiring extradition proceedings, both have been kidnapped and removed from Connecticut and into New Jersey. And two Coast Guards lost their lives looking for the baby in the Atlantic ocean!